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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/57/102, the General Assembly at its current session will be required to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that will occur in the membership of the Committee on Contributions, for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2003.

2. The following persons have been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment:

Alvaro Gurgel de Alencar (Brazil);
Sergei I. Mareyev (Russian Federation);
Bernard G. Meijerman (Netherlands);
Hae-yun Park (Republic of Korea);
Ugo Sessi (Italy);
Wu Gang (China).

3. The candidates' curricula vitae follow.

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Alvaro Gurgel de Alencar (Brazil)

Born July 9, 1936 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil;
B.A. in Law (National Law School, Rio de Janeiro, 1960);
B.A. in International Relations (Brazilian Diplomatic School, Rio de Janeiro, 1962);
Graduate study in Economics (Ottawa University, 1965 - 1967);
Joined Brazilian foreign service in 1962 as Third Secretary; was elevated to the rank of Ambassador in 1986;

POSTS ABROAD

Embassy in Ottawa, Second Secretary, 1965 - 1967;
Deputy Consul-General in Hong Kong, 1967 - 1969;
Permanent Delegation in Geneva to the UN bodies and GATT, Counselor, 1973 - 1976;
Deputy Permanent Representative to the UN bodies and GATT, Geneva, 1979 - 1985;
Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations, New York, 1987 - 1990;
Consul-General in Berlin, 1990 - 1993;
Permanent Representative to FAO, WFP and IFAD, Rome, 1993 - 1997;
Ambassador to Cuba, 1997 - 1999.

OFFICES IN BRAZIL

Advisor to the Head of the Economic Department, Ministry of External Relations, 1963 - 1964;
Trade Policy Division, Ministry of External Relations: Acting Head, 1970 - 1971; Deputy Head, 1972 - 1973; Head, 1976 - 1977;
Under-Secretary for international Economic and Technical Cooperation, Ministry of Planning, 1977 - 1979;
Under-Secretary for International Affairs, Ministry of Finance, 1979; 1985 - 1987;
Special Advisor to the Minister of Labor and Employment, 1999 -.

FUNCTIONS ABROAD

Chairman, Executive Committee of the Paris Union for the Protection of Industrial Property, 1975;
Chairman, Technical Assistance Committee of the Patent Cooperation Treaty, 1975;
President of the General Assembly of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), 1976 - 1979;
Chief negotiator, placement of Brazil bonds, Frankfurt, 1979;
Chairman, WIPO Coordination Committee, Geneva, 1980;
Chairman, Expert Group on the Generalized System of Trade Preferences (GSTP), Geneva, 1980 - 1981;
Chairman of the G-30 on Economic Cooperation among Developing Countries, Geneva, 1982 - 1983;
Coordinator of the G-77 in negotiations on Restrictive Business Practices, Code of Conduct for the Transfer of Technology, Revision of the Paris Convention on Industrial Property and GSTP, Geneva, 1980 - 1983;
Chief negotiator, Brazil's full balance of payments consultation, GATT, 1983;

Delegate to sessions of UNIDO and UNCTAD Boards, GATT Council on Contracting Parties, ECOSOC, ECLAC, UN General Assembly, FAO Council and Conference, SELA Council and ILO Governing Body;
Deputy Alternate Governor, World Bank and IDB, 1979; 1985 - 1987;
Deputy Representative to the UN Security Council, 1988 - 1989;
Delegate to UNCTAD Conferences I, III, IV and VI;
Special Representative of the Minister of External Relations and Head of Delegation to UNCTAD VIII, Cartagena, 1992;
Member of the United Nations Committee on Contributions, New York, 1994 -;
Coordinator of the Rome Latin American Group, 1995 - 1996;
Chief negotiator for the Group of 77 in the preparation for the FAO World Food Summit, Rome, 1996.

FUNCTIONS IN BRAZIL

Member of the Customs Policy Council, 1976 - 1977; 1985 - 1987;
Member of the External Loans Commission, 1979;
Advisor to H. E. President-elect Tancredo Neves, 1985;
Member of the National Commission for ALADI (Latin American Integration Association), 1979; 1985 - 1987;
Member of the Export Financing Commission, 1985 - 1987;
Chief negotiator for the official Brazilian debt (Paris Club), 1985 - 1987;
Chairman of the National Council for Immigration, 1999 -.

PUBLISHED WORKS

"The UN and the Brazilian interest in the field of development";
in "Security and Development", ADESG Review (lecture at the National War College), Anno XXII, no. 154;
"The Brazilian entrepreneur's access to technology", in "Seminar on Export Strategy", Official Press, Belo Horizonte, 1972;
"Transfer of technology", in "Brazilian Review of International Policy", Vol. XVI, no. 63/64, 2nd semester 1973;
"The conditions for technical cooperation among developing countries", in "World Interdependence and Economic Cooperation among Developing Countries", no. 3, Autumn 1981, Center for Applied Studies in International Negotiations, Geneva;
"The debt crisis: how much longer?", in "Capítulos del SELA", no. 19, April-June 1988, Caracas;
"The evolution of the negotiating context", in "International Technology Transfer", Kluwer Law International, London, 2001;
"From the strategic concept of food security to FAO s Plan of Action to combat hunger", in "Revista brasileira de política internacional", Ano 44, nº 1, 2001;
Newspaper articles.

CONSULTANT WORK

Technical Secretariat for Analysis and Planning, Ministry of External Relations, 1962;
Drafting and start-up of the Itamaraty/IPEA Agreement on Technical Cooperation and Trade Promotion, 1972 - 1973;
Pugwash Draft Code of Conduct on the Transfer of Technology, 1974;
WIPO Editorial Consultants on Manual of Licensing Opportunities, 1975;
SELA draft of Latin American proposal on the negotiation of foreign debt, 1989.

Sergei I. Mareyev (Russian Federation)

Date of birth	16 September 1950
Place of birth	Moscow, USSR
Language	Russian, English

Education

1973	• Moscow Institute of Electronic Machinery, Moscow
1988-1989	• Higher Economics Courses, USSR State Planning Committee (GOSPLAN), Moscow
1994	• Financial Managers' Training Courses, Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation, Moscow

Professional Activities

1967-1968	• Draftsman, Central Research Institute of Technology, Ministry of Industry, Moscow
1968-1977	• Head of laboratory, Moscow Institute of Electronic Machinery
1977-1984	• Chief Inspector, Head of Division, Foreign Trade Company "Sudozagranpostavka", Ministry of Shipping Industry, Moscow
1984-1988	• Head of Division, Central Research Institute "Kurs", Ministry of Shipping Industry, Moscow

1988-1991	•	Head of Division, Main Technical and Research Office, State Committee on Computer Technology, Moscow
1991-1994	•	Deputy Director, Institute of Financial and Economic Works, Academy on Automation Systems, Moscow
1994-1996	•	Deputy Director, Directorate on Currency Operations, Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation, Moscow
1996 to date	•	Director, Department of Finance, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation

International Activities

1994-1995	•	Member of the International Commission of Financial Experts on Issues of Double Taxation Prevention and Investments Protection
1994-1996	•	Member of the Russian delegation at negotiations with the International Monetary Fund on major economic programmes for the Russian Federation
1996 to date	•	Representative of the Delegation of the Russian Federation to the Fifth Committee of the United Nations General Assembly
1998 to date	•	Member, Committee on Contributions, United Nations

Other Activities

- Co-author of the Compendium of documents on currency and financial issues of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation

Bernard G. Meijerman (Netherlands)

Born: August 7, 1954, The Hague, the Netherlands

Academic background: Econometrics, University of Groningen, the Netherlands

Professional Career

1977-1979: University of Groningen, the Netherlands

1977:	Assistant, Faculty of Economics
1977-1979:	Assistant in the field of Operations Research, Faculty of Econometrics

1980-present: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands

1981-1982:	Netherlands Embassy, Pretoria: third secretary of Embassy
1983-1984:	Directorate General for International Co-operation, Policy Planning Section: policy adviser, budgetary questions
1985-1986:	Directorate General for International Co-operation, Policy and Procedures Advisory Section for Bilateral co-operation: senior policy adviser
1986-1990:	Netherlands Embassy, Ouagadougou: Deputy Chief of Mission
1990-1995:	International Organisations Department, Co-ordination and Management Division, deputy head, dealing with management issues in the UN and PKO's. Attended sessions of UNGA Fifth Committee and Committee for Programme and Co-ordination.
1995-1999:	Office of the (deputy) Secretary-General
1999:	Administration Evaluation Department
1999-present:	UN and IFI's Department, head of Co-ordination and Institutional Affairs Division, dealing with Management Issues in the UN and with specialised Agencies

Other activities

1996-2001:	Member of the Board (Treasurer) of the Foreign Service Association (Trade Union of personnel of the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs)
1998-present:	Member of the Board of a Savings Fund for Public Servants
1999-present:	Member of the Advisory Committee on Personnel Appraisals of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
2002-present:	Member of the Board of a Federation of Trade Unions for Public Servants and Teachers

Hae-yun Park (Republic of Korea)

Date of Birth: 8 December 1957 (Seoul, Korea)

Educational Background

- 1988 M.A. at University of Pennsylvania, USA (in Political Science and also in Government Administration)
- 1981 B.S. at Seoul National University, Korea (in Oceanography)

Professional Experience

The Fifth Committee

2000	Vice Chairman of the Fifth Committee (55th Session of the UN General Assembly)
2000-02	Member of the Committee on Contributions

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MOFAT)

2001-	Deputy Director, the United Nations Division, MOFAT
1998-2001	First Secretary, Permanent Mission to the United Nations, delegate to the Fifth Committee
1995-98	Deputy Director, the United Nations Division, MOFAT
1993-95	First Secretary, Embassy of the Republic of Korea to Qatar
1990-93	Second Secretary, Embassy of the Republic of Korea to the United Kingdom
1988-90	Assistant Director, North American Division, MOFAT
1984-86	Assistant Director, International Organizations Division, MOFAT

Private Sector

1981-83 City Desk Reporter at the Korea Times

Publications

"The Financial Crisis of the United Nations and the Restructuring of the Peacekeeping Scale of the Assessment" (The UN in the 21st Century: New Challenges and Opportunities, Seoul, 2002)
"The Reform of the United Nations" (Globalization and Multilateral Diplomacy, Seoul, Jisiksanopsa, 2002)

Citation: Presidential Citation(1996)

Ugo Sessi (Italy)

born in 1947 - Italian
- Expert in Auditing and Administration

In 1990 elected to the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term and re-elected in 1993, 1996 and 1999 for three mandates. From 1994 to 1999 acted in the capacity of Vice-Chairman of the Committee, to be then elected Chairman in 2000, 2001 and 2002.

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

1997 to present Ministry of Treasury, Head of the Service "Public Investments"

1987 to 1996 Ministry of Treasury (General Accounting Office)
Head of Division in the General Direction for Economic Affairs: Scientific and Space Policy, Telecommunications, Industry and Technological Innovation.

1979 to 1987 Ministry of Treasury (General Accounting Office)
Head of Section (International Organizations)

1977 to 1979 Ministry of Treasury (General Accounting Office)
Junior Counsellor

1970 to 1977 Ministry of Tourism, Principal Secretary
(Personnel and General Administration)

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

1989 to 1990 Advanced Academy of Public Administration in Rome - 1 year training course prior to the appointment as Senior Head of Division, which included also 3 months at the National Institute for Nuclear Research (ENEA)

1977 to 1978 Advanced Academy of Public Administration in Rome

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

1990 to 1996 At national level has acted as Auditor in many public agencies and corporations and since 1990 as Auditor of the National Centre for Space Research (CIRA)

Associate Professor at the Advanced Acadey of Public Administration (Industrial Economy Law) in Rome

1987 to 1989 At international level has been appointed as alternate Auditor in the Western European Union (WEU)

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

From 1977 to 1987, while on duty in the International Organizations Division of the Ministry of Treasury, and then in the present position, has participated, as member of the Italian delegation, in the governing bodies (General Conferences and Governing Councils) of the following:

1985	Luxembourg Conference on the European Patent
1985	Paris U.N. Conference on LLDCs
1984	U.N. Conference on the III Decade of Development
1983 to 1987	FAO and IFAD / FIDA
1983	UNCTAD VI
1979, 1990 1991, 1992	New York U.N. General Assembly (5th Committee)
1979-1981-1985	UNEP Convention on the protection of Mediterranean Sea from pollution
1979 to 1981	Geneva - UNCTAD / U.N. Preparatory phase for the institution of a Common Fund for Commodities
1979	Vienna U.N. Conference on science and technology for development
1978 to 1987	Has participated in several meetings of EEC and OECD bodies (DAC, High Level Group on Commodities and on North/South Cooperation)
1978 to 1983	WIPO / OMPI
1978 to 1980	UNESCO

ITALIAN DELEGATE IN THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES OF:

1987 to 1997	European Space Agency (ESA); from 1998, member of the Italian Delegation to the Council of the Agency
since 1987	European Southern Observatory (ESO), from 1997 to 2000, President of the Committee on administrative and budgetary matters
1987 to 1990	European Centre for Weather Forecasts
1983 to 1986	UNCTAD
1981 to 1987	UNDP
1981 to 1987	European Patent Office (EPO)
1978 to 1988	GATT

EDUCATION

1975	Master's Degree in Public Administration (Magna cum Laude), University of Rome
1973	Bachelor's Degree in Economics, University of Rome

FOREIGN LANGUAGES: English, French and Spanish

Wu Gang (China)

Born on 28 November 1958 in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China.

Educational background

February 1978-February 1982	Majored in English and American literature at Foreign Languages Department, Wuhan University; B.A. degree.

Training programmes attended

June 1982-January 1983	Training in international finance at Finafrica at Milan, Italy.
October 1987	Seminar on loan procedure sponsored by Japan International Cooperation Agency, Tokyo.
May-July 1996	Internship at Morgan Stanley Co., New York.

Career development

March 1982-August 1988	Staff and Section Chief, Foreign Affairs Department and External Finance Department, Ministry of Finance.
August 1988-January 1993	Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations, New York.
February 1993-August 1998	Deputy Director and Director, External Finance Department and International Cooperation Department, Ministry of Finance.
August 1998-June 2000	Director and Deputy Director-General, International Department, Ministry of Finance.
June 2000-present	Deputy Director-General, Department of Budgetary Management for Administrative Expenditure, Ministry of Finance.

Working experience

Over the years of serving in the Ministry of Finance of China, Mr. Wu has been responsible for the budgetary expenditure and assessed contributions to international organizations, subsequently covering international meetings and forums, in which the Ministry of Finance of China has been participating. In the past two years, he has been supervising World Bank and Asian Development Bank (ADB) loan operations for Chinese investment projects and all related business and relations between these international financial institutions and China. At present, he is responsible for budgetary management for administrative, law enforcement and foreign expenditures.

International experience

During the years from 1988 to 1993, Mr. Wu worked for the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations, covering Fifth Committee affairs, including budget and contribution issues. He attended the forty-third to forty-ninth sessions of the General Assembly and the twenty-ninth to thirty-second sessions of the Committee for Programme and Coordination. After that, he mostly covered the Finance Minister's meetings of a regional and global nature, such as the meetings of the Finance Ministers of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) forum, the meetings of the finance ministers of the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM), the Manila framework meetings, and meetings of the World Bank and ADB meetings etc.